# SPENARD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting at 7pm, May 5, 2004, at the Spenard Recreation Center

## **AGENDA & NEWSLETTER**

- 1. Legislative Teleconference from Juneau
- 2. Minutes and Agenda Action
- 3. Assembly Reports
- 4. Airport Developments
- 5. Northwood Drive Update
- 6. Quieter Homes Project
- 7. Election for Vice Chair
- 8. Capital Projects Survey
- 9. Committee Reports
- 9. Old & New Business

## PINK HOTEL CHECKS OUT PERMANENTLY

On April 20, 2004, the Pink Hotel, an abandoned and boarded up building at 37th and Oregon (one block from the Tempura Kitchen at Spenard Road and Oregon) was demolished by the City, in partnership with the National Guard, which paid for half of the \$60,000 cost as part of a program it has to get drugs out of communities. The building was condemned in 2001 and a lien for the demolition costs will be recorded against the property.

#### NORTHWOOD DRIVE IMPROVEMENTS COMING SOON

The road bond package approved by the voters on April 6 includes the long-awaited improvements to Northwood Drive between Spenard Road and International Airport Road. Steve Noble from Dowl Engineers will address the Council at the May meeting and explain the changes we can expect this summer. In a separate (but hopefully related) project, the City is planning improvements to Northwood Park this summer.

## **CAPITAL PROJECTS PLANNED FOR SPENARD**

A list of the capital projects planned for the Spenard Community Council area was distributed and discussed at the April meeting. The City wants the Council to rank the projects and return the survey by May 17, 2004. The Council will vote on the priority of those projects (which includes the opportunity to add and delete projects) at the May meeting.

#### TED STEVENS AIRPORT DEVELOPMENTS

The next meeting of the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport Community Stakeholder Committee is scheduled for May 26, 2004 at 3pm in the North Terminal, McKinley Room. On April 8, 2004, there was a meeting to discuss the Lake Hood/Ted

Stevens International Anchorage Airport General Aviation Master Planning process. Jennifer Payne and Diana Rigg from the Airport will discuss the General Aviation Master Plan at the May meeting. Additionally, Airport representatives will present an update on the status of the Residential Sound Insulation Program. Finally, Host International, Inc., is applying for a conditional use permit for two beverage dispensary tourism licenses at the Airport: 1) the Cheers Lounge, which Host currently operates, will close and reopen as a Chili's Too, approximately 150 yards away, and 2) a Legends Bar will operate in the new C Concourse. Both matters go before the Assembly on June 8, 2004.

## SPECIAL ELECTION FOR VICE CHAIR

At the April meeting, Brenda Smart, the vice chair of the Council, announced her resignation, due to her recent move to the Sand Lake area. Pursuant to the bylaws, a temporary vice chair (Kristen Hately) was appointed, with an election for vice chair to be held at the May meeting.

# **CREEK CLEANUP IS MAY 15, 2004**

The Anchorage Waterways Council is looking for volunteers both for the cleanup itself on May 15 (for Fish Creek, go to Fish Creek Park on Turnagain Blvd) but also to scout a section of a creek beforehand and email to Ilse Witterland at ilse@awcgroup.org where debris is located.

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